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FM CIA
TO DIA WASH DC//PM-MIA ATTN: BOB SHEETZ

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CITE CIA/ [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] POW PHOTO INCIDENT

1. THE FOLLOWING REPORT WAS OBTAINED ON 10 JULY-1 AUGUST 1991

2. WHILE IN CAMBODIA, [REDACTED] JOINED A CLANDESTINE MISSING IN ACTION (MIA) RESEARCH COMMITTEE WHICH WAS INITIALLY FORMED IN 1990.

AFTER HEARING A VOA BROADCAST THAT THE U.S. WOULD PAY ONE AND ONE HALF MILLION DOLLARS AS A REWARD FOR FINDING THE REMAINS OF U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL LISTED AS MIA, THE BROADCAST DID NOT INDICATE THE AMOUNT OF REWARD FOR FINDING LIVE PRISONERS-OF-WAR (POW). THE COMMITTEE, COMPOSED OF 16 MEMBERS INCLUDING [REDACTED], HAS NO FOREIGN SPONSORSHIP. SOME MEMBERS JOINED BECAUSE OF THE FINANCIAL INCENTIVE AND OTHERS HOPED TO BE SPONSORED FOR RESETTLEMENT TO THE U.S. FOR SECURITY REASONS, THE MEMBERS DID NOT KNOW EACH OTHER. [REDACTED] EACH MEMBER WAS REQUIRED TO SPEND HIS OWN PRIVATE FUNDS TO DEVELOP INFORMATION ON POW/MIA MATTERS AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OWN SAFETY. IN THE EVENT THE COMMITTEE RECEIVED AWARD MONEY, [REDACTED] CLAIMED HE WOULD SHARE IT WITH THE OTHER MEMBERS. [REDACTED] ASSIGNED TASKS AND PROVIDED GUIDANCE TO ALL THE MEMBERS. [REDACTED] CLAIMED NOT TO KNOW THE NAMES OF ANY OF THE OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF [REDACTED].

3. IN DECEMBER 1990, [REDACTED] TASKED [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO THE SITE 2 REFUGEE CAMP IN THAILAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTACTING AMERICANS WORKING ON THE MIA ISSUE. [REDACTED] THEN GAVE [REDACTED] A BLACK AND WHITE

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[REDACTED] REPORTING THREE INDIVIDUALS ALLEGED TO BE POW'S. TWO PHOTOS OF TWO OF THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE NAME AND RANKS, THE NAMES OF TWO OTHER INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CIA, AND INFORMATION ON MORE THAN 60 INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN HELD IN A CAMP IN CAMBODIA. [REDACTED] TELL HIM THE LOCATION OF THE POW CAMP. [REDACTED] THAT THE 60 POW'S HAD BEEN EVACUATED FROM CAMBODIA DURING THE REGIME OF FORMER PRESIDENT ((LOM)) [REDACTED] INDICATE TO [REDACTED] THE SOURCE OF ANY OF HIS MIA INFORMATION PHNOM PENH FOR SITE 2 IN EARLY DECEMBER 1990.

[REDACTED] SITE 2 DAY 7 BECAME INTO [REDACTED] CIA COOPERATED WITH HIM ON MIA MATTERS. [REDACTED] AND HIS COUSIN ARRIVED AT HIS RESIDENCE IN PHNOM PENH. [REDACTED] DATA OF THE POW'S IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. COL. JOHN LETTON ((ROBERTSON)), USA
MIA 26 SEP 1968

B. ((DILKESHARAN)), USN
US 81801146 "B" OROT
MIA 14 FEB 1964

C. [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO HAVE GIVEN THE ABOVE PHOTOS A COUPLE OF DAYS OF HIS ARRIVAL AT SITE 2 TO FOUR AMERICANS, ONE OF WHOM WERE FEMALE. ONE OF THE MALES TO WHOM HE GAVE THE PHOTOS IS UNKNOWN. IN ADDITION TO THE PHOTOS, [REDACTED] PROVIDED THE INDIVIDUALS INFORMATION ABOUT THE ABOVE 60 POW'S, UNIDENTIFIED CAMP IN CAMBODIA AND GAVE THE FOLLOWING NAMES OF THE U.S. MIA'S:

A. ((OLSONGARTL)),
RA 11448202 "B" METHODIST

B. ((DUGAL)), JOHN D
RA 1273803 "AB" ROMAN CATHOLIC

C. LAFORD JE
8262041 "B" CATHOLIC

D. ON 10 JAN 1991, [REDACTED] BORROWED BAHT 5,000 AND GAVE THE MONEY TO [REDACTED] AT THE REQUEST OF [REDACTED] TAKED HIS COUSIN TO RETURN TO PHNOM PENH AND CONTACT [REDACTED] FOR AN OFFICIAL MIA/POW

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DOCUMENTS, ESPECIALLY COPIES OF FINGER PRINTS AND TAPE TAPE RECORDINGS. [REDACTED] CLAIMS HE HAS NOT HEARD FROM HIS COUSIN SINCE HIS COUSIN LEFT SITE 2 IN JAN 91 AND HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF HIS CURRENT WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] HAS HAD NO FURTHER BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH [REDACTED] ALTHOUGH WHEN [REDACTED] OCCASIONALLY SEEKS MATERIALS, [REDACTED] COUSIN RETURNED TO SITE 2. [REDACTED] REPLIES, "NOT THAT I KNOW". [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENTLY LEARNED FROM [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] HAD MIA/POW RELATED PAPERS AND TAPE RECORDINGS IN HIS POSSESSION. [REDACTED] CLAIMED THAT HIS UNDERGROUND NETWORK OBTAINED THE MATERIALS FROM INSTITUTE CAMBODIA (IFCI). [REDACTED] WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN THIS AND SURMISED THAT [REDACTED] MAY HAVE ARRANGED TO INTERCEPT HIS COUSIN ON HIS RETURN FROM PHNOM PENH AND RETIEVE HIM OF THE MATERIALS.

E. [REDACTED] HEARD NOTHING FURTHER ABOUT THE MIA/POW MATERIALS UNTIL HE WAS CONTACTED AT SITE 2 BY TWO AMERICANS ON 23 JUN 1991. ONE OF THE AMERICANS WAS REPORTEDLY FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. AND THE OTHER FROM [REDACTED]. THE LATTER SPOKE KHMER. [REDACTED] DID NOT RECALL THE NAMES OF THE AMERICANS. THE AMERICANS DISPLAYED IMMEDIATE MIA/POW

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RECORDED BY [REDACTED] ASKED [REDACTED] TO IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE MATERIALS
GIVEN AS REQUESTED AND WAS TOLD BY THE
AMERICANS THAT HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE PHOTOS WHICH WERE AMERICANS, BUT
COULD IDENTIFY THE MUNICIPALITY WHICH THEY ADDDED THAT [REDACTED] HAD LIEVED TO THEM
IN THE VILLAGE. [REDACTED] STATED HE WAS UPSET AND ASKED THE AMERICANS WHY THEY HAD
MAILED THEM PHOTOS OF THE TWO AMERICANS. [REDACTED] STATED HE HAD BEEN PAID MONEY BY COMING TO SEE HIM IF THEY KNEW THE
PHOTOGRAPHERS. [REDACTED] STATED HE WOULD NOT PRINTED ANY
PHOTOS OF THE TWO AMERICANS AND SUGGESTED THEY SPEND
TIME OUTSIDE CAMBODIA.

[REDACTED] STATED HE DID NOT WORK FOR OR WITH [REDACTED] NOR
DID HE KNOW [REDACTED] BETTER THAN HE DOES. [REDACTED] HAS
PHONIC PEARL FOR FEAR THAT HE WOULD BE ARRESTED
BY THE COMMUNISTS.